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Honorable Clarence Cannon
Chairman, Committee on Appropriations
House of Representatives
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I have received your letter of May 15 enclosing the letter which the CIA Subcommittee sent to the President. Words can hardly express how deeply I am touched by this note of confidence on the part of yourself and your colleagues of the Committee on Appropriations. It is indeed gratifying at this time to receive your assurances.

With very best wishes.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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Dear Mr. Dulles:

Am enclosing copy of a letter which is
 self-explanatory.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Clarence Casper

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Honorable John F. Kennedy
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

Of course, no member of the Legislative branch of the Government would presume to make any suggestion to you with relation to the appointment of strategic members of your administration.

But the subcommittee on CIA which, naturally, has been in touch with Mr. Dulles for many years, have found him exceptionally reliable, efficient, and competent.

With assurances of our warmest regard and cooperation,

Sincerely,

Clarence Cannon
George H. Mahon
Harry R. Sheppard
John Taber
Gerald R. Ford, Jr.

Subcommittee on CIA.

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